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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, between lines 1 and 2, insert the heading --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 3, between lines 31 and 32, insert the heading --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 7, before line 1, insert the heading --BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.

Page 7, between lines 15 and 16, insert the heading --DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please cancel the abstract as printed in the front page of the PCT publication, and insert the Abstract of the Disclosure as submitted in the appended sheet.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-5 of the application as follows:

1. (Amended) Method of addressing in a digital telecommunications network having first and second addressing zones between which an interface caters for address translations, comprising the following steps:

a name and address server situated in the first addressing zone receives, originating from a first address of the first zone, assigned to a source machine, a request to provide an address in relation to the name of a destination machine;

if the destination machine is situated in the second addressing zone, the name and address server sends to a second address of the first zone a first packet containing at least the said name of destination machine;

the interface retransmits the first packet to a first address of the second zone, assigned to a management unit and associated in a static manner with the second address of the first zone;

the management unit obtains a second address of the second zone assigned to the destination machine whose name appears in the first packet;